

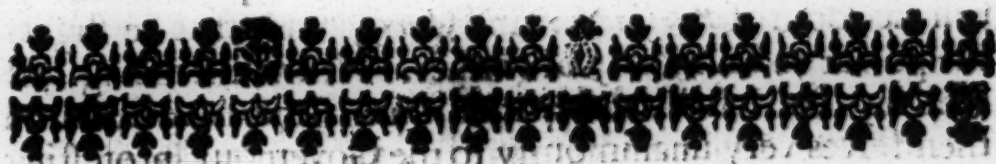
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A
DECLARATION
FROM

The Isle of *WIGHT*, concerning the Kings Majesty, and
the proceedings of Col. *Poyer* (Governour of *Pembroke Castle*)
in *South-Wales*. With His Majesties Proposals. And the
Resolution of *Poyer* and his Adherents.



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From the Isle of

WIGHT

Concerning

The Kings Majesty, and Collonel *Poyer* Governour
of *Pembroke* Castle in South-Wales.

Honoured Sir,

WE lately received intelligence from the West,
of the insolent deportment of Col. *Poyer* Go-
vernour of *Pembroke* Castle in South-Wales,
and of his declaring for the King, Parliament,
and Covenant, and likewise of his dangerous
proceedings in those parts, to the great hazard of involving
this Kingdom in a new and bloudy War, which God of his
great mercy divert. We have also received further intelli-
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gence, that the said *Poyer* is resolved to keep the Castle in defiance both of *Parliament* and *Army*, and that he slights the power and authority of either. Notwithstanding all which, the Inhabitants within this Island have declared themselves very unanimously to the Governour, protesting against the proceedings of *Poyer* and his Adherents, and that they shal be ready to hazard lives, person, and estate, against all obstructers of the publique peace, or against any who shal endeavour to divide the people, or begin a second intestine War within the bowels of this Kingdom.

They have further declared, that they will aid and assist the Governour against any person or persons, who shal endeavour to withdraw his Majesty from where he now is without the consent and Authority of *Parliament*. Which expressions, hath not a little danted the Royalists in these parts, who began (since the arrival of the Western intelligence) to give out very high speeches, but are now somewhat appeased, and begins to faulter in their former Eccho. All things are very quiet here, and the Island remains in a peaceable posture.

His Majesty is in perfect health and merry, and seemes to dislike of the proceedings of *Poyer* and his Adherents, and it is hoped wil not in the least countenance their Designe.

His Majesty and the Governour doth often discourse together, and some two or three dayes since, his Majesty took occasion to propose several passages to divers of the Gentlemen who now attend His person, and amongst the rest, his Majesty propounded one particular touching the prerogative of Kings, what divers had acted, and the success thereof. Some answers were replied, by the said Gentlemen, but at the last the King departed from them in a great laughter. Thus having given you a breviat of what is most considerable, I remain

Your most affectionate friend to serve you,

Carisbrook 2. of April,

1647.

Tho: Burdett.

*A Letter sent from the City of Bristol, touching the resolution
and proceedings of Col. Poyer.*

Noble Sir,

THe affairs here are in a very sad condition, our feares
dayly increafe, and the Country is divided; for the ma-
lignant party gives out high speeches, and divers of the Ca-
valry resorts to Pembroke Castle, for the assistance of col.
Poyer, and it is to be feared, they wil very much indanger
the publique peace of these Counties, and prove a great ob-
struction to the proceedings of Parliament, &c. Their num-
bers increafe, but not to that height as is reported, although
it be rumoured that they are 4. or 5000. strong, but I can
assure you to the contrary, that they do not consist of above
8. or 900. Horse and Foot, and divers of them slightly ar-
med, the greatest part of them are such who its thought wil
hardly stand a resolute salute; yet notwithstanding, when
their franzie pates are elevated with the joyce of Syder and
Perrie, they protest and swear to live and dye for God their
Prince, and Poyer; but it is hoped their resolution wil sud-
denly change, by reason of the fiery Dragoones approach
towards these parts, who are resolved to try their courage,
and hazard an engagement for reducing of them to the obe-
dience of Parliament and Army.

We dayly expect Col. *Horton* with his Regiment, who
(its said) is upon his advance towards Pembroke, for the
blocking up of the insolent Revels; but we are informed,
that the cause of his so long stay, is, because hee expects a
Randezvous with the rest of the Forces appointed for that
service, which is all at present, from

Your most obliged Servant,

James Gibson.

Bristol, 4. of April

1648.

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The copy of a Letter from the North of England, touching the proceedings of the Parliament in Scotland.

S I R,

BY Letters from Edenborough we are advertized as followeth. That divers great Members in the Parliament have made a protestation to this effect, That they will not consent to any Vote for the leavying of Forces to make war with, or to bee employed against their Brethren and Kingdom of England.

And that they assented not to the late Votes of the House for the appointing and establishing a Committee of Estates to order the affairs in relation to both Kingdoms.

The Scots as yet do not appear down-right, nor chiefly for the King; therefore, to compose things amongst themselves and the better to effect their designs upon England, they will insist upon nothing but breace of Covenant, &c.

The minds of most of them here are possessed with strange opinions of the Parliament and Army, against whom they are implacable, and which is so much the worse, in regard here is so little opportunity to vindicate one or the other.

There is in the Rode a French pinnace, and now the people

ple begin to talk of the Prince of Wales his comming. Concerning the late Vote of forty thousand men to be raised, it was by the Committee of danger, who went so much beyond their Authority, that a protestation was entered. There come yet divers English by Land into Scotland, the ships that came to Scotland, are yet in the Haven of Leith, and hath not as yet landed none of the passengers, which causes suspicion of great persons being in them, as the Lord of Newcastle and others.

It is very likely the Parliament in Scotland will make such a conclusion, as will be very taking in England, & lend it by Commissioners before any War be declared.

April 6. 1648.

The Copy of another Letter from the West.

Worthy Sir,

OVr troubles here are great, Poyer and Laughornes men still continue their insolent carriage, and that they have secured all or most of the Committee whom they took. But there are ships come into the Harbour to blocke them up, and to prevent the comming of any reliefe unto them. The number of the Rebels are not so great as is reported. Their whole Body doth not amount to a thousand, although it is rumoured they are at the least four or five thousand strong. The Inhabitants adjacent are very much incensed against them, by reason of their great burthens and oppressures, occasioned by their present plundering both of provision, Goods, and Chattel: Poyer hath declared the grounds and reason of his present Engagement, and entertaines

taines all that resorts unto him. But wee hope their passage wil soon be stepped, for We hear, that the Forces designed to his Excellency the Lord General are upon their march, Colonel *Horton* (we heare) is upon his march, as also Sir *Hardresse Walker*, and Col. *Okey*, with their Regiments. The Country-men are summoned in to *Pembroke*, but upon what occasion we know not, unlesse it be to fortifie the town, which is very probable. By the next I shal certifie you more fully, who remaineth

Tout obligé servant,

1647

J. Wilson.

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